

Indian Lore Merit Badge at Riverbend Park

Welcome to the Indian Lore Merit Badge program at Riverbend Park. The program is held at the Riverbend Visitor Center located at 8700 Potomac Hills Street in Great Falls.

Below is the recommended homework to be completed before the program:

We recommend that you download the merit badge worksheets from meritbadge.com and bring these worksheets to class. These worksheets help scouts organize their homework and classwork.

Requirement 4. Do **one** of the following:

4.a. Write or briefly describe how life might have been different for the European settlers if there had been no native Americans to meet them when they came to this continent.

OR

4.b. Sing two songs in an Indian language. Explain their meaning.

OR

4.c. Learn in an Indian language 25 common terms and their meanings.

OR

4.d. Show 25 signs in Indian sign language. Include those that will help you ask for water, food and where the path or road leads.

OR

4.e. Learn in English an Indian story of at least 25 words.

OR

4.f. Write or tell about eight things adopted by others from American Indians.

OR

4.g. Learn 25 Indian place names. Tell their origins and meanings.

OR

4. h. Name five well-known American Indian leaders, either from the past or people of today.

Give their tribes or nations. Describe what they did or do now that makes them notable.

What to bring to the program:

- Bring your blue card (Riverbend does not have blue cards.)
- Bring your completed homework. It is OK if you cannot complete the homework before class. You can bring completed homework in at a later date for sign-off.
- Bring/wear weather appropriate clothing/outerwear. We will not go outdoors in heavy rain or thunderstorms. Boy Scout uniform not required.
- Bring a pencil and pen.
- Bring a flashlight, if the program is held after dusk.
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- Bring a snack and drink or money to purchase some at the visitor center. Bring more substantial food if your program is longer than four hours.

Homework to be completed after the program:

None.

Once the prework, class work and post homework are completed, all elements of the merit badge will be complete.

If your scout needs blue card sign-off after the class date, please call 703-759-9018 to arrange a time to meet with a merit badge counselor.

We're looking forward to working with your scout.

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